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SUBJECT: UNESCO 18TH GENERAL CONFERENCE: SOVIET DRAFT
RESOLUTION ON "UNESCO'S CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE
AND THE STRENGTHENING OF THE SECURITY OF NATIONS
BY PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL DETENTE AND MAKING IT
IRREVERSIBLE"

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1. SOVIET DRAFT (REFTEL) APPEARS SOOTHING REITERATION OF
FAMILIAR SOVIET THEMES SUCH AS NEED TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONA-
LITICAL DETENTE, PLACE INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CUL-
TURAL ACTIVITIES AT SERVICE OF WORLD PEACE, AND ENGAGE
UNESCO RESOURCES MORE DIRECTLY IN STRENGTHENING INTERNA-
TIONAL COOPERATION. WE EXPECT RESOLUTION MAY THEREFORE
BE DIFFICULT TO DEFEAT OR AMEND AND USDEL NEED TAKE NO
INITIATIVES IN THIS REGARD.

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2. NEVETHELESS, WE FIND SEVERAL PASSAGES OBJECTIONABLE AND TOO BROADLY PHRASED, E.G., REFERENCE TO FASCISM, NEO-COLONIALISM, RACIALISM, AND APARTHEID IN OPERATIVE PARA 1. MOREOVER, OPERATIVE 3(A) REFTEL REFERS TO "MEASURES TO CONSOLIDATE PEACE, SECURITY, AND COOPERATION IN ASIA," AN INDIRECT ENDORSEMENT OF SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY PACT ON WHICH WE WOULD PREFER TO INDICATE NO POSITION. FINALLY, OPERATIVE PARAS

3(C) AND 3(E) COULD LAY GROUNDWORK FOR AUTHORIZING UNESCO DG TO TAKE ACTIONS PROPOSED BY SOVIETS IN DRAFT RES ON EUROPEAN SECURITY AND COOPERATION (PARIS 25711) WHICH US OPPOSES (STATE 247498).

3. IF SOVIET DRAFT REMAINS UNCHANGED, USDEL SHOULD QUIETLY SEEK ENSURE SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF ABSTENTIONS AMONG WEOS AND PERHAPS SELECTED LATIN AMERICANS AND IF SUCCESSFUL, ABSTAIN. HOWEVER, IF WEOS APPEAR WILLING GO ALONG WITH SOVIET DRAFT AND IT SEEMS ASSURED OF WIDE-SPREAD SUPPORT, USDEL MAY APPROVE. KISSINGER

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